

- contacting the biological sample with the isolated compounds according to claim 2, ,
- under conditions appropriate for the formation of polynucleotide hybridation products, and
- detecting or quantifying the hybridation products thus formed.

14. (Amended) A method for the selective removal of NK cells from a biological sample, comprising:

- contacting the biological sample the antiserum-type compositions according to claim 4,
- and
- removing the immune complexes thus formed.

15. (Amended) A method for the positive and selective purification NK cells from a biological sample, comprising:

- contacting the biological sample with the antiserum/type compositions according to claim 4, and
- recovering the cells from the immune complexes thus formed.

16. (Amended) A kit for detecting, quantifying, removing and/or positively purifying NK cells from a biological sample

comprising the antiserum-type compositions according to claim 4, which is enclosed in a container.

17. (Amended) A method for stimulating NK cell cytotoxicity, comprising:

contacting said NK cells under physiological conditions with the antiserum-type composition according to claim 4.

18. (Amended) A kit for stimulating NK cell cytotoxicity, comprising:

the antiserum-type compositions according to claim 4, enclosed in a container.

20. (Amended) A grafting method comprising contacting an organism chosen among the

group consisting of a cell to be grafted, a tissue to be grafted, an organ to be grafted, and the host organism with